# Proclamation

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## Steben L. Beshear Gobernor

of the

# Commonwealth of Kentucky



### To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Many Kentucky citizens, schools, universities, libraries, businesses and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education and conducting business; and

WHEREAS, Critical sectors increasingly rely on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care and emergency response systems; and

WHEREAS, Internet users and the information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious cyber attack, loss of privacy from spyware and adware and significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and

WHEREAS, The Stop.Think.Connect. Campaign (<a href="www.stopthinkconnect.org">www.stopthinkconnect.org</a>), the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (<a href="www.msisac.org">www.msisac.org</a>) and the U.S. Cyber Challenge initiative (<a href="www.uscyberchallenge.org">www.uscyberchallenge.org</a>) represent a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, nonprofits and government organizations to help all digital citizens stay safer and more secure online; and

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Homeland Security (<a href="www.dhs.gov/cyber">www.dhs.gov/cyber</a>), the National Association of State Chief Information Officers, (<a href="www.nascio.org">www.nascio.org</a>) and the National Cyber Security Alliance (<a href="www.staysafeonline.org">www.staysafeonline.org</a>) have declared October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month and have encouraged all citizens to visit these sites, along with that of the Commonwealth Office of Technology (COT) (<a href="www.technology.ky.gov">www.technology.ky.gov</a>), to learn about cyber security and put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces and businesses; and

WHEREAS, Maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role and awareness of computer-security essentials will improve the security of Kentucky's information infrastructure and economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 2011 as

#### CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eleven and in the 220<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR GOVERNOR

Elaine N. Walker Secretary of State

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